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Governor Walker Announces Biodigester Initiative for Kewaunee County

KEWAUNEE, WI – Governor Scott Walker made a stop in Kewaunee County on Thursday to share news that the state is working on an initiative that could bring biodigesters to the region and give those in the farming community, an opportunity to convert animal waste into electricity.

When speaking to a crowd at Agricultural Heritage Resources, Inc., Governor Walker did make it clear that this is not the solution, this is simply one of a series of solutions towards clean water, "It's one more tool to help us ensure clean water within this region to address some of the issues in terms of agriculture runoff and uniqueness of the karst features that we see within this area. At the same time, providing some relief and assistance in farming, it's one of those where we look at these challenges."

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC) are teaming up in the effort, designed to help provide relief and assistance needed. Throughout the month of December, the three agencies will coordinate their resources and put together a Request for Proposal, which should be able to be released to the public in early January.

"It's a good deal all the way around. It helps our farmers, our citizens overall want clean water, it helps those who want more sustainable ways of providing energy here in this state and in this country," said Governor Walker.

Kewaunee County Board Supervisors and other representatives were also in attendance.

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